Security Technical Implementation Guides (STIG) and Checklist Overview
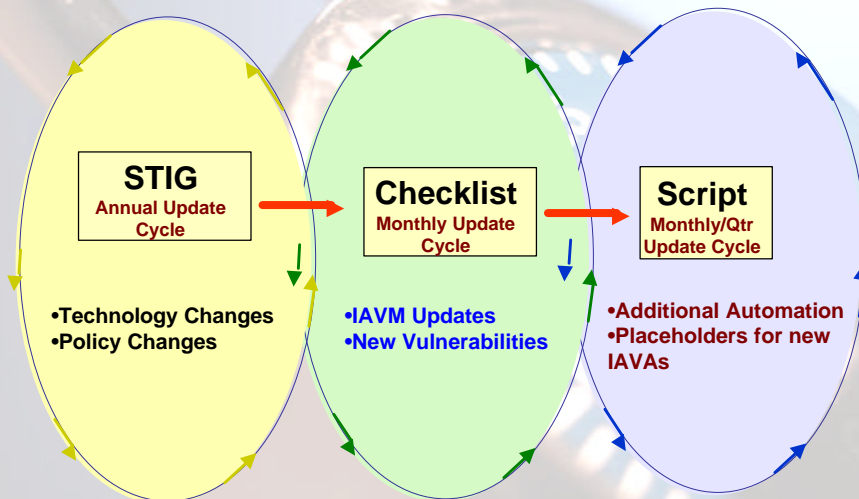
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Agenda

- **STIG / Checklist Lifecycle Overview**
- **What is a STIG**
- **STIG Lifecycle**
- **Checklists and Scripts**
- **Checklist / Scripts Lifecycle**
- **Available STIGs / Checklists**
- **Application of STIGs and Checklists**

STIG and Checklist Lifecycle

STIG	Checklist	Script
Annual Update Cycle	**Monthly Update Cycle**	**Monthly/Qtr Update Cycle**

• Technology Changes
• Policy Changes

• IAVM Updates
• New Vulnerabilities

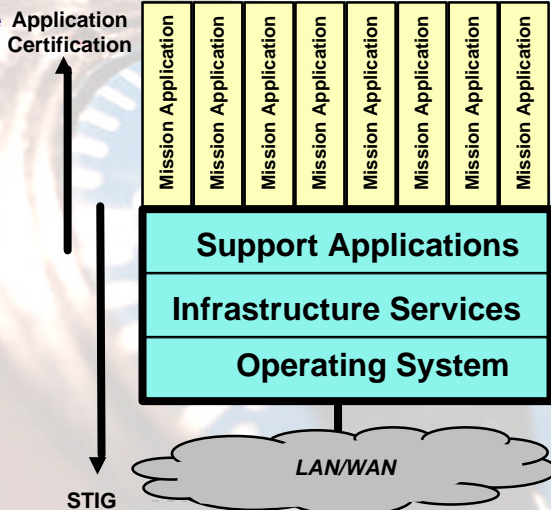• Additional Automation
• Placeholders for new IAVAs

What is a STIG?

- **Security Technical Implementation Guide: A Compendium of Security Regulations and Best Practices from Many Sources A Guide for Information Security**
- **GOALS**
  - Intrusion Avoidance
  - Intrusion Detection
  - Response and Recovery
  - Security Implementation Guidance

STIG Scope

- **Provides Standard, Secure environment for application development and operation**
- **Does not replace requirement for application security policy**

Application Certification

Mission Application	Mission Application	Mission Application	Mission Application	Mission Application	Mission Application	Mission Application	Mission Application

Support Applications

Infrastructure Services

Operating System

LAN/WAN

STIG

The STIG Lifecycle

- **All STIGs Follow a Standard Lifecycle**
  - **New STIG Identified**
  - **Technology Research to Include Existing Guidance if Available**
  - **Draft STIG is Developed for Internal Review**
  - **Draft STIG is Distributed to Security Community for Review**
  - **Technical Interchange Meetings (TIM) with Security Community to Address Issues**
  - **Changes Made Based on Feedback From TIM**
  - **STIG is Reviewed by Technical Editing Staff**
  - **Final STIG is Released to Security Community**
  - **Checklist and Script Process Begins**

Who Writes Them?

- **Field Security Operations with input from:**
  - **DECCs & DECC Detachments**
  - **SSOs**
  - **Combatant Commands**
  - **RNOSCs**
  - **CERTs**
  - **Other Agencies, Branches and Organizations**
  - **Central Design Activities**

How STIGs are Updated

- **Internal Technical Guidance**
  - **Experience In the Field/System**
  - **Contractor Support**
  - **Vendor Training**
  - **IAVM/CERT Notices**
- **Customer Input**
  - **E-Mail**
  - **Technical Interchange Meetings**
- **Cooperation and Interaction**
  - **NSA**
  - **JIEO**
  - **DOD CERT**

Think Security!

STIG TIM

Checklists

A Tool that Provides Detailed Instructions for Checking the Presence of a Vulnerability Identified in the STIG Policy

5.1.1.1   Minimum Password Length
If the value for the field, "At Least # Characters," is less than eight characters, then this is a finding. If the radio button, "Permit Blank Passwords," is selected, then this is a finding.
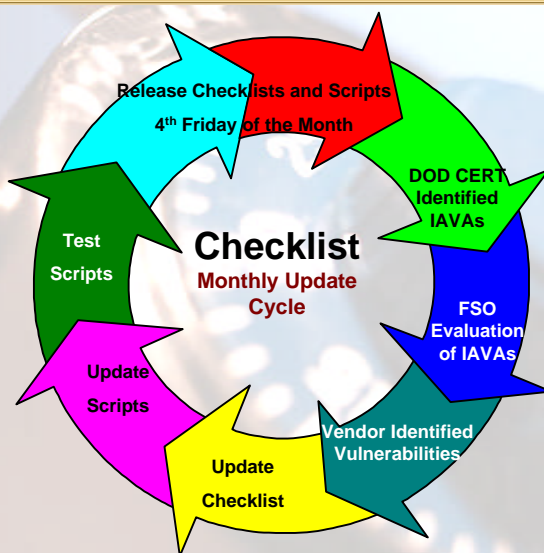
VMS

Category:	II
PDI:	4.013: Minimum password length does not meet minimum requirements
Ref.	NSA Guide: Chap. 5, p. 30

| 3.02 Adm | - | ☐ Finding
☐ Not a Finding
☐ Not Applicable
☐ Not Reviewed | ☐ Administrators use the built-in administrator account.
☐ Personal administrator accounts are not maintained.
☐ A list of all users belonging to the Administrator's group and any other group with special privileges is not maintained. | | Users with Administrative privilege are not documented or do not have separate accounts for administrative duties and normal operational tasks. | II |

Sample

The Checklist Lifecycle

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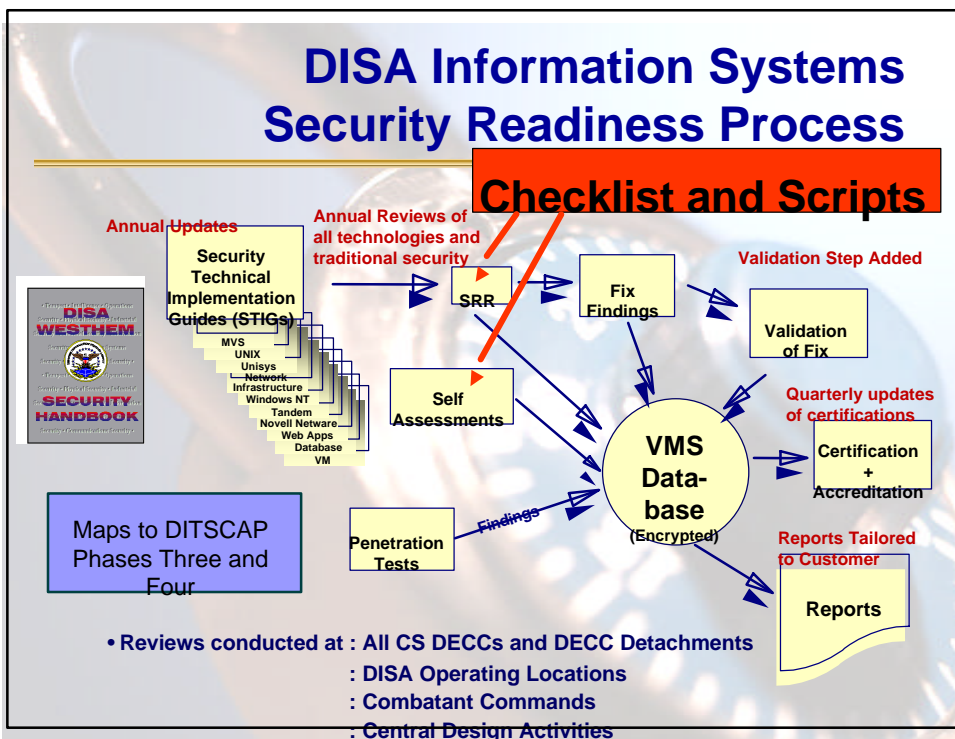
STIG

Checklist
Monthly Update Cycle

Release Checklists and Scripts
4th Friday of the Month

DOD CERT Identified IAVAs

FSO Evaluation of IAVAs

Vendor Identified Vulnerabilities

Update Checklist

Update Scripts

Test Scripts

DISA Security Guides

ENCLAVE	SECURITY HANDBOOK	OS 390 (MVS)	VM	LPAR	UNISYS	TANDEM	UNIX	WIN NT	WIN NT ADD	WIN2K Guidelettes	WIN XP Pro	NOVELL	NETWORK	DATABASE	WEB

Guides are available at the following Web Sites:
- https://iase.disa.mil
- http://iase.disa.smil.mil
- https://guides.ritchie.disa.mil

- DOD PKI Certificate Required**
- Annual updates
- IAVA Alerts, Bulletins and TA updated monthly to checklist
- stig_comments@ritchie.disa.mil

DISA Information Systems Security Readiness Process

Checklist and Scripts

Annual Updates

Annual Reviews of all technologies and traditional security

Validation Step Added

Security Technical Implementation Guides (STIGs)
- MVS
- UNIX
- Unisys
- Network
- Infrastructure
- Windows NT
- Tandem
- Novell Netware
- Web Apps
- Database
- VM

DISA WESTHEM SECURITY HANDBOOK

SRR → Fix Findings

Self Assessments

Validation of Fix

Quarterly updates of certifications

Certification + Accreditation

VMS Data-base (Encrypted)

Maps to DITSCAP Phases Three and Four

Penetration Tests — Findings

Reports Tailored to Customer

Reports

- Reviews conducted at : All CS DECCs and DECC Detachments
  : DISA Operating Locations
  : Combatant Commands
  : Central Design Activities

Review

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Questions?

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